

MARCH 14, 2025

# MOOSE TRAX

*Altitude Elementary School  
27300 E. Southshore Dr.  
Aurora, CO 80016*

*Attendance: 720.886.4395  
Main Office: 720.886.4300  
Fax: 720.886.4388*



Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that Spring Break is here. April and May are very important months for the students and staff at Altitude, as we begin preparing students for the next grade level. Your support during these months helps our students develop the independence they need to succeed as they move on to the next grade level. Part of this support comes from leading by example and making sure your child is at school on time and ready to learn. Thank you for supporting your children as we begin the final push to end the school year.

Thank you, parents, for attending our spring conferences. Your partnership and support help us make sure we meet our students' needs as they progress through our academic program. Several years ago, Cherry Creek administration went to various colleges in Colorado to see how well first-year students, who had graduated from Cherry Creek high schools, were prepared for the rigors of college and life in general. A common theme that quickly emerged was that two traits overwhelmingly helped those students be successful during their first year in college. These had nothing to do with what students learned in school regarding reading, math, or science. The traits were the ability to persevere through rigorous tasks and being resilient. I am proud of our students at Altitude because they demonstrate these two characteristics. These traits will serve them very well as they progress on to middle school, high school, college/career, and more importantly, life. Thank you for supporting our children and our school.

I'd like to recognize and thank a few staff members who have been instrumental in offering our students amazing experiences at Altitude Elementary School. Ms. Badria Bilgrami is responsible for our book fair each year. She does an excellent job facilitating the book fair while offering our families opportunities to further the love of reading. Our Integrated Arts team guides our 5th grade students in the Moosical this time of year. This is a wonderful opportunity for our 5th graders not only to perform in a musical, but to be responsible for every aspect of the performance. They create the script, choreograph the dances, create the sets, and much more. A shout out to Cherokee Trail for allowing us to use the CTHS stage for this performance! We are very fortunate to have a staff that goes above and beyond to make sure our students are reaching their potential and have various opportunities to explore their strengths. Thank you, teachers!

Enjoy Spring Break,

Scott

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## CMAS TESTING DATES

*Please mark your calendars for the following testing dates. It is very important that ALL students be present for CMAS testing. The process of taking high-stakes assessments will be a tremendous benefit for students as they prepare to be successful in high school. Please plan accordingly.*

## 2025-2026 TESTING SCHEDULE

### English Language Arts (ELA)

3rd grade	April 8, 9, 10	8:30-10:30 am
4th grade	April 15, 16, 17	8-10 am
5th grade	April 8, 9, 10	8-10 am

### Math

3rd grade	April 15, 16, 17	8-9:45 am
4th grade	April 22, 23, 24	8-10 am
5th grade	April 15, 16, 17	8-10 am

### Science

5th grade	April 22, 23, 24	8-10 am
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March 17 - 21: Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)

March 26 - 27: Class pictures

April 2: SAC/PTCO General Meeting @ 6:00

April 8 - 10: CMAS Testing

April 15 - 17: CMAS Testing

April 22 - 24: CMAS Testing

April 26: Denim & Diamonds Auction & Gala

***Help Mr. Felker Save Pop Tabs for  
Ronald McDonald House Charities!***



Ronald McDonald  
House Charities®  
Denver

***Collection Jar Next to Front Office***

## **Resources for Families**

**The district has compiled a list of resources for families, including food pantries, immigrant supports, language supports, mental and physical health resources, and supports for unhoused families.**

**[You can access the list here.](#)**

**Please click [HERE](#) to read about the CDC Guidelines on how to decide if your child is too sick to attend school.**

**Questions or concerns? Email Nurse Carmen at  
[ctrimborn2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ctrimborn2@cherrycreekschools.org)**

# CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Roundup 2025

**Pre-K & Kindergarten enrollment for the 2025 - 2026 school year starts February 3, 2025**

(Current students attending a Pre-Kindergarten program who live in the district do not need to re-enroll for Kindergarten)

School Choice applications for **Kindergarten** can be submitted through the following website: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/choice>

For more information about Pre-K, please visit the following website:  
<https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/4963>

**Online pre-enrollment is required! Please visit our website for more information.** <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/enrollment>

District Admissions Main Office: 5416 S. Riviera Way, Aurora, CO 80015

Admissions Satellite Office: 12600 E. Jewell Avenue, Aurora, CO 80012

<b>Step 1</b>	Go to <a href="https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Admissions">https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Admissions</a> and create a <b>PowerSchool Enrollment</b> account to enroll a new student into CCSD.
<b>Step 2</b>	Enter the information requested and attach the required documentation. Be sure to click on <b>SUBMIT</b> when complete.
<b>Step 3</b>	You will receive an email that your paperwork was successfully <b>submitted</b> . You will receive another email after your student has been <b>fully enrolled</b> .

**All enrollment requests will be processed in the order they were received.**

For more information, please visit our website at:  
[www.cherrycreekschools.org](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org) > Admissions > Student Enrollment

**Welcome  
Class of  
2038!!**

### Documents Required for Enrollment:

1. Birth Certificate: Student must be 5 years old on or before 10/1/2025, or 4 years old for Pre-K.
2. Immunization Records
3. Proof of residency: Current Gas/Electric bill (visit Admissions website for additional options)
4. Photo ID of parent / guardian





**SATURDAY MARCH 29th**  
**9am - 3pm**

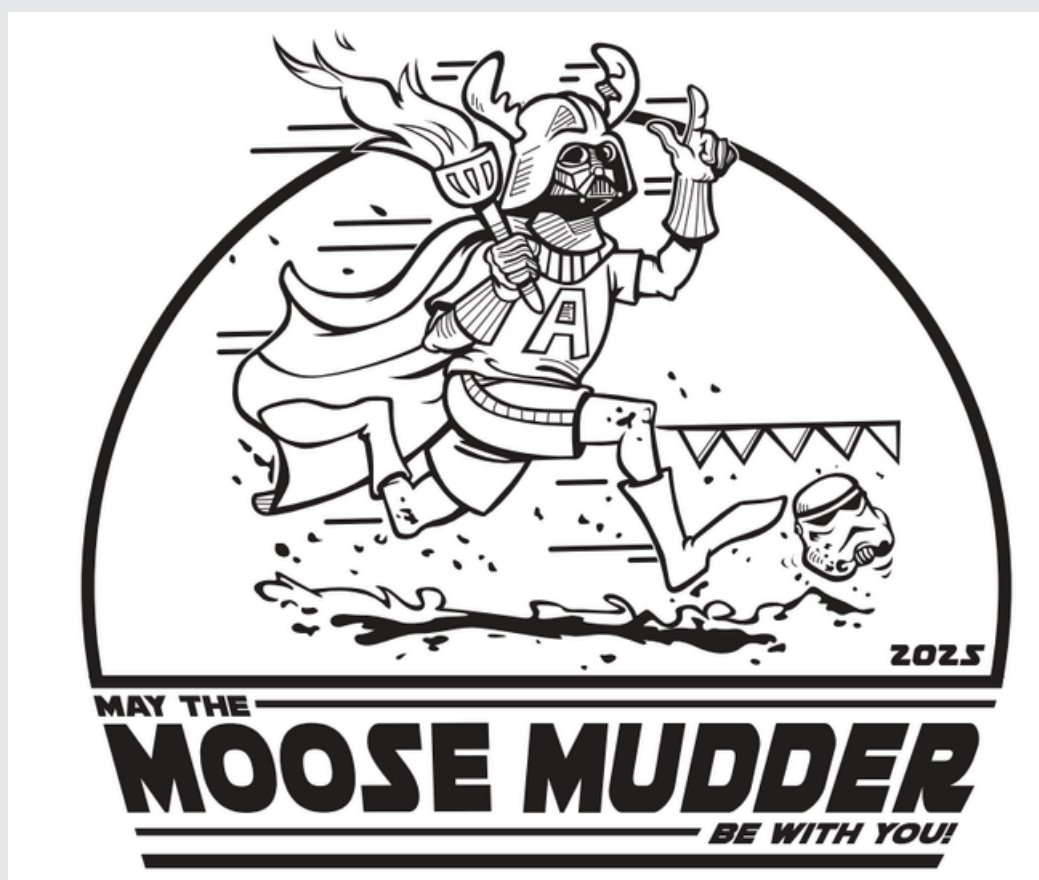
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Cherokee Trail High School  
25901 E Arapahoe Rd, Aurora, CO 80016

[www.CherokeeTrailHSPTCO.com](http://www.CherokeeTrailHSPTCO.com)

**Join us for the 2025 Altitude Moose Mudder**  
**on Sunday, May 4th!**



**Sign Up Here!**

# Altitude Auction + Gala



[Get Your Tickets Here!](#)







NATIONAL ANTHEM PERFORMANCE BY

# CHERRY CREEK SCHOOLS

You're invited to Coors Field to watch our school perform the

National Anthem live on the field as part of CCSD Weekend!

**Saturday, April 26th at 1:10pm**  
**vs. Cincinnati Reds**

Tickets Starting At

**\$17**

including fees!

including fees!

To purchase tickets, SCAN or VISIT



**[Rockies.com/CCSD](http://Rockies.com/CCSD)**

Ticket availability is limited and pricing is subject to change. Purchase now to get the best rate!







# Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures

ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

CODE: F202410OFF

EXPIRES: July 31, 2025

[Redeem Now](#)

Don't forget to order your **FREE** Digital SmileSafe card!

More about the Smilesafe program [here](#).

Order your yearbook today!

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[ybpay.com](http://ybpay.com)

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*¡Echa un vistazo para encargar hoy!*



**Order Deadline:** April 4, 2025

*Fecha Tope Para el Pedido:*

Yearbook ID Code: 15316825

*Código ID del anuario:*

**School Name:** Altitude Elementary School

*Nombre de escuela:*

**Yearbook**

**\$25**

- Sturdy softcover with protective coating
- All-color pages that vibrantly capture your memories throughout the school year
- Durable Smyth-sewn binding that keeps the yearbook intact through wear and tear.

*Anuario*

*• Cubierta blanda resistente con revestimiento protector.*

*• Páginas a todo color que captan de manera vibrante tus recuerdos del año escolar.*

**Hardcover Upgrade**

*Hardcovers stand the test of time with high-gloss lamination.*

*Mejora de la cubierta de tapa dura. Las cubiertas duras pasan la prueba del tiempo con laminado de alto brillo.*

**Add \$5**

Prices include sales tax where applicable. When you pay by check, you authorize us to process the payment as a check transaction, or to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your checking account. A service fee may be charged on returned checks. Post dated checks are not accepted. By completing and submitting this order form, you are agreeing to all of Lifetouch's terms and conditions located at [www.lifetouch.com/terms-conditions](http://www.lifetouch.com/terms-conditions) and to our privacy policy located at [www.lifetouch.com/privacy](http://www.lifetouch.com/privacy).

Los precios incluyen impuesto a las ventas cuando corresponde. Cuando pague con cheque, nos autoriza a procesar el pago como una transacción mediante cheque o a usar la información de su cheque para realizar una transferencia electrónica de fondos desde su cuenta de cheques por única vez. Por cheques rechazados se podrá aplicar un cargo. No se aceptan cheques de pago diferido. Al completar y enviar este formulario de pedido, acepta todas las condiciones de Lifetouch ubicadas en [www.lifetouch.com/terminos-y-condiciones](http://www.lifetouch.com/terminos-y-condiciones) y nuestra política de privacidad ubicada en [www.lifetouch.com/privacidad](http://www.lifetouch.com/privacidad).

Contact our Help Center for assistance at [lifetouch.com/support-us](http://lifetouch.com/support-us).  
Select Yearbook Orders for assistance.

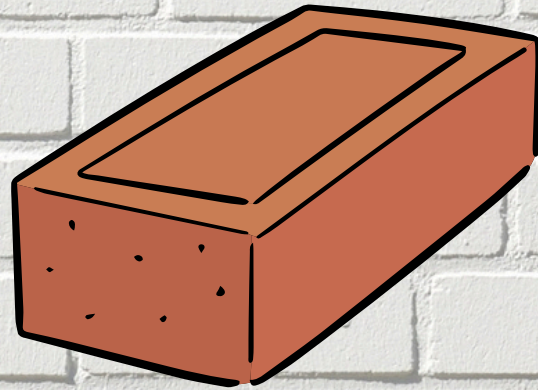
Comuníquese con nuestro Centro de Ayuda para recibir asistencia en [lifetouch.com/support-us](http://lifetouch.com/support-us).  
Selecciona Pedidos del Anuario para recibir asistencia.

**ORDER NOW for the Early Bird Price of \$25 through 12/20/24. Price increases to \$30 starting 12/21/24.**

**Lifetouch**



**Click the  
brick to  
order!**



**Phase 2 of the Altitude legacy brick project is underway!**

**Please click on the brick above to become a permanent part of Altitude's history and purchase your brick today!**

**\*\*\* Last day to order is March 21. \*\*\***

**Questions can be sent to [treasurer@altitudeptco.com](mailto:treasurer@altitudeptco.com)**

**\*Note, early bird pricing is no longer available.**



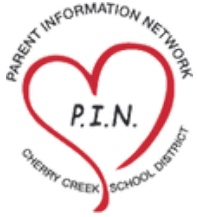
Calling all dads, grandads, uncles, and other male father-figures interested in volunteering!



Please click [HERE](#) to fill out CCSD's volunteer application (if you haven't already). This must be filled out each year by our volunteers.

Please click [HERE](#) to sign up and schedule your WATCH D.O.G.S. day.





Join our April 1st presentation and Brunch !

# Collaborative Problem Solving: On the Way to a Better Relationship

- *Does your child's emotional roller coaster leave you drained and angry?*
- *Do discipline strategies make the problem worse for your child?*
- *Does your child get "stuck," unable to move or think in a flexible way?*

*Learn a relational approach to:*

- *Solve some challenging behaviors*
- *Help you build a better connection with your child.*
- *Improve your child's flexibility and frustration tolerance*



**Tuesday, APRIL 1st**

**9:15 - 11:00 am**

**Free Brunch included  
14603 E. Fremont Ave  
Centennial**



Erica Stetson PhD has 30+ years working with children and families as a licensed psychologist and a school psychologist. She recently retired from CCSD and speaks nationally and internationally about supporting children who have challenging behaviors and has published several articles and chapters on this topic. Learn more about Erica at <https://www.achancetohealdenver.com>.

# BECOME A MEMBER OF THE DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE (DAC)



# HELP WANTED

We are searching for a volunteer to fill the  
Parent Member role on the DAC

## *Who The DAC is looking for:*

A parent/guardian who has a  
child/children attending District  
elementary or District secondary schools.



**MEMBERS OF THE DAC ADVISE THE CCSD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ON SPENDING PRIORITIES, APPLICATIONS FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS  
AND REPORT ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF DISTRICT PROGRAMS**



**Applications being accepted now!**



Application form available on our website:  
<https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4145>

[accountability@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:accountability@cherrycreekschools.org)



**Indigenous  
Kindergartner  
Celebration 2024-2025**



**Congratulations**

**Come Celebrate your student with community**

**April 5th, 2025  
9:00 am to 11:00 am**

**Smoky Hill High School  
16100 E Smoky Hill Rd Aurora, CO 80015**

**Stay Connected: [CCSDEQUITY@CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG](mailto:CCSDEQUITY@CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG)**

CHERRY CREEK SCHOOLS  
*Presents*

# INDIGENOUS 5TH GRADE CELEBRATION



2024-2025

**SATURDAY APRIL  
5TH 2025  
1 PM-3 PM**

**COME CELEBRATE YOUR  
STUDENT WITH COMMUNITY**

**Smoky Hill High School  
16100 E Smoky Hill Rd Aurora, Co 80016**

**STAY CONNECTED: [CCSDequity@CherryCreekSchools.org](mailto:CCSDequity@CherryCreekSchools.org)**







Autism Community Store



# Therapy Dog Meet & Greet



**Saturday, March 15th  
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

At the Autism Community Store

**The Alliance of Therapy Dogs will be bringing some of their furry friends to the store for a meet and greet session!**

**No appointments necessary - drop in, pet some dogs and ask the owners any questions you may have about them!**

People of all ages can benefit from the soothing and non-judgmental presence of these gentle creatures. Studies show interacting with therapy dogs can have a variety of benefits for autistic children and adults, including:

- Encouraging communication
- Increasing feelings of emotional wellbeing
- Increasing engagement
- Desensitizing fears

*The Alliance of Therapy Dogs (ATD) is an international registry of certified therapy dog teams that provides testing, certification, registration, support, and insurance for members who volunteer with their dogs in animal-assisted activities. Teams provide therapy in many settings, including airports, nursing homes and other care facilities, on college campuses and even in patients' homes. We are grateful to the dedicated volunteers making the Autism Community Store a regular destination with their adorable pups!*

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**MARIOKART**

**14TH  
TOURNAMENT!**

**Saturday, March 22nd  
1 - 3 PM**

At the Autism Community Store

**Are you ready for a fun, fast-paced competition between friends?  
Come test your racing skill against other participants at a Mario Kart  
Tournament at the Autism Community Store.**

Using a Joy-Con Steering Wheel and playing on a Nintendo Switch, see if you have what it takes to be the last competitor standing. Pit crews are welcome, so bring a sibling, parent, or caregiver with you to join in the fun!

**Cool 3D printed trophies (thanks Adam!) for the winners :)  
\*Please arrive on time if you wish to compete.\***



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**BEST BUDDIES®**



# Autism Community Store

## Family Support Session

Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> | 12-2 pm

- Learn self care and coping strategies
- Connect with other caregivers
- Receive and get connected to resources
- Feel less isolated

Food and a sensory craft will be provided.



Join representatives from Best Buddies Colorado for an informative presentation and an opportunity to ask questions and chat with other parents. Food will be provided and a sensory craft activity will be available for the kids.

*Best Buddies® is dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Best Buddies is the world's largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical, and economic isolation of the 200 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Their Family Support program offers families the support and resources needed to navigate the journey of raising a child with IDD, including pairing parents new to a diagnosis with experienced parent mentors.*

*For more information, contact: [MadisonForristall@bestbuddies.org](mailto:MadisonForristall@bestbuddies.org).*



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# SUMMER EBT IS COMING



***Starting Summer 2024***

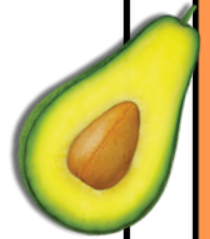
## About the Program

Summer EBT helps families buy food during the summer months. If you qualify, you will get \$40 per child for each month when school is not in session. This amounts to up to \$120 per child. You'll receive a card pre-loaded with money in the mail.



## You Are Eligible If...

- You already participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid
- Your child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast program and you qualify based on income



## How Can You Receive Benefits?

1. Make sure your school has a benefits form or household income application on file

For the Cherry Creek School District you may apply at [www.myschoolapps.com](http://www.myschoolapps.com)

2. Make sure your school has your current address and parent/guardian information
3. Your family will automatically qualify if you participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid

EBT cards will be mailed by the Colorado Department of Human Services



**COLORADO**

Department of Human Services



**COLORADO**

Department of Education

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



# Do you need help paying youth sports registration fees?

The Every Kid Sports Pass can help.  
Receive funding up to three times  
per year, per child.

## Qualifications:

- ☐ Is your child enrolled in Medicaid, SNAP, or WIC?
- ☐ Is the sport recreational (not elite or travel team)?
- ☐ Does the sport season last at least 4 weeks?
- ☐ Is the child ages 4-18?

**If your child meets these qualifications, apply today!**



[www.everykidsports.org](http://www.everykidsports.org)





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Strategies for Life

# SUMMER CAMPS

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Education Program



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→ [ChessWizards.com](https://ChessWizards.com)

Have Questions About Our Camps?



Call: (866) 949-4386 Main Office



Email: [office@chesswizards.com](mailto:office@chesswizards.com)

Or scan the QR code to learn  
more on our website!



**English:**

Please contact Allie Crocker at [acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org) for support with this resource in your language.

**Amharic:**

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**Arabic:**

أو [org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi](mailto:org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi) يرجى الاتصال بـ (جميعاً صباحي أو جاودة العلمي) على).  
للحصول على الدعم مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية [org.cherrycreekschools@jdajani.ami](mailto:org.cherrycreekschools@jdajani.ami)

**Chinese:**

如有需要，请经由 [ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org) 与凯瑟琳·泰勒联系，以您的语言获得此资源的支持。

**Hindi:**

अपनी भाषा में इस संसाधन के समर्थन के लिए कृपया जेम्स रसाइथी को [jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org) पर संपर्क करें।

**Korean:**

귀하의 언어로 이 자원에 대한 지원을 원하시면 (리아 리) 에게 ([llee6@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:llee6@cherrycreekschools.org)) 로 문의 하십시오.

**Nepali:**

कृपया जेम्स रसाइथीलाई [jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org) मा तपाइयको भाषामा यो संसाधनको सहयोगको िगी सम्पर्क गर्नहथ िो।

**Russian:**

Пожалуйста, обращайтесь к Ларисе Бака по адресу: [lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org) для получения поддержки с помощью этого ресурса на своём языке.

**Somali:**

Fadlan la xiriir Omar Nur cinwaanka emaylka [onur2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:onur2@cherrycreekschools.org) si aad u hesho macluumaad ku qoran luqadaada.

**Spanish:**

Si necesita ayuda con este recurso en su idioma, póngase en contacto con Ilse Chavez Maldonado en [ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org), Rosa Han en [ghan4@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ghan4@cherrycreekschools.org), Helena Gognat en [hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org) o Monica Pantoja en [mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org).

**Vietnamese:**

Vui lòng liên hệ với Thuý Ngọc tại [Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org) để được hỗ trợ về tài nguyên này bằng tiếng Việt.